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TAGS: SNAR HK

SUBJ: NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTION PLAN

REF: A. HONG KONG 5872; B. STATE 114423 OF 6/26/72

1. EA INTER- AGENCY WORKING GROUP FOR NARCOTICS CONTROL
HAS REVIEWED MISSION' S UPDATED NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTION
PLAN (NCAP) WHICH PROVIDES EXCELLENT ASSESSMENT OF
CURRENT DRUG SITUATION IN COLONY. FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS
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ARE WORKING GROUP'S COMMENTS ABOUT NCAP AS WELL AS SOME REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (PLEASE SUBMIT BY TELEGRAM).

2. AIR AND SEA INTERDICTION: REF B REQUESTED PERIODIC PROGRESS REPORT ON RECOMMENDED AIR INTERDICTION MEASURES SUCH AS MORE SPOT CHECKS AT KAI TAK AIRPORT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF INFORMAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH HONG KONG AUTHORITIES ON MONITORING TRANSIT OF ACETIC ANHYDRIDE. WORKING GROUP BELIEVES IT DESIRABLE TO INCORPORATE GOALS AND PROGRESS REPORTS ON BOTH AIR AND SEA TRAFFIC INTERDICTION INTO NCAP AND WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION'S SUBMITTING PARAGRAPHS CONCERNING THESE ASPECTS.

3. BNDD: WORKING GROUP CONCURS WITH RECOMMENDATION THAT BNDD OFFICE BE INCREASED TO INCLUDE OFFICER WHO

WOULD REMAIN IN COLONY FULL TIME FOR LIAISON WITH HKG. BNDD IN PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING CANDIDATE NOW AND WILL HAVE OFFICER ON BOARD ASAP.

4. EQUIPMENT: PROVISION OF DETECTION EQUIPMENT (E. G. HEROIN SENSOR DEVICES, LABORATORY DETECTORS, BIO-LUNINESCENT DETECTORS) IS NOT POSSIBLE AT THE PRESENT TIME BECAUSE NONE OF THE EQUIPMENT TRIED SO FAR HAS PROVED SATISFACTORY IN OPERATION. MORE TIME WILL BE REQUIRED BEFORE IMPROVED DEVICES BECOME AVAILABLE.

5. TRAINING: A) LEADER GRANTS: TWENTY LEADER GRANTS IS TOO MANY FOR CU FY 74 BUDGET (IT CAN HANDLE 2-4 AT MOST); HOWEVER, WORKING GROUP DOES NOT WISH DISCOURAGE TRAINING WHERE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO ENHANCE NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORT. IF MISSION COULD SUBMIT MORE DETAILS CONCERNING PERSONS FOR WHOM LEADER GRANTS INTENDED AND TYPE OF ON- THE- JOB TRAINING DESIRED, TRAINING PROGRAMS FUNDED BY OTHER AGENCIES MIGHT POSSIBLY BE WORKED OUT FOR THEM. UNLESS CONGEN PERCEIVES THIS TO BE A PROBLEM, WE WOULD EXPECT HKG TO FINANCE INTERNATIONAL PER DIEM AND TRAVEL ALL TRAINEES. SHOULD CONGEN DIS-AGREE, PLEASE ADVISE TOGETHER WITH EXPLANATION. B) BNDD: BNDD IS PREPARED TO OFFER AFTER JULY 1 TWO WEEK OPERATIONS STYLE COURSE IN HONG KONG FOR 50
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POLICEMEN BUT IS PRESENTLY UNSURE OF HKG ATTITUDE

TOWARD SUCH A COURSE (IMPRESSION HAS BEEN THAT HKG
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CONFIDENT OF OWN ENFORCEMENT
CAPABILITY AND NOT WILLING TO ATTEND US SPONSORED
COURSE). WORKING GROUP WOULD LIKE MISSION' S ASSESSMENT
REGARDING IN- COLONY TRAINING.

C) CUSTOMS: CUSTOMS ALSO HAS ITS IN- COUNTRY TRAINING
TEAM READY, AND AN ADVANCE VISIT TO HONG KONG BY TEAM
HEAD PLANNED AFTER APRIL 1 TO DISCUSS TRAINING
POSSIBILITY (CUSTOMS ALSO UNSURE ATTITUDE HKG) AND
ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE FOUNDATION AS APPROPRIATE.
A TWO WEEK PRACTICAL TRAINING COURSE FOR 25 CUSTOMS
OFFICERS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR HONG KONG IN MAY
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